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Amendments To The Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1-6 (canceled).

Claim 7 (previously presented): A poker table comprising:

- a tabletop defining an opaque, planar playing surface having a plurality of player stations and a dealer station;

- one or more supports for supporting the tabletop in a horizontal position and at a predetermined height;

- a translucent, planar light window, coplanar with the plane of the playing surface;

- a light source configured to project light upwardly through the light window; and

- an arm rest extending substantially around the outer periphery of the light window.

Claim 8 (canceled).

Claim 9 (previously presented): A game table comprising:

- a playing surface configured to be disposed at a predetermined height, wherein said playing surface defines one or more player stations and a dealer stations;

- a light window disposed adjacent said playing surface, wherein said light window is disposed adjacent all of said one or more player stations;

- a light source disposed beneath said light window for projecting light upward; and

- a light trough rigidly secured to the underside of the playing surface for carrying said light source, said light source disposed at least partially beneath said light window, wherein

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said light trough is configured in a generally C-shaped cross-section defining first and second vertical risers and a connecting floor.

Claim 10 (previously presented): A game table as recited in claim 9, wherein said first vertical riser is securely fastened to the underside of the playing surface and located such that a portion of said light trough extends outwardly from an edge of said playing surface.

Claims 11-21 (canceled).

Claim 22 (previously presented): The poker table as recited in claim 7, wherein the arm rest includes:

- a rigid plate extending around the periphery of the light window; and
- a pad overlaying the upper surface of the rigid plate.

Claim 23-30 (canceled).

Claim 31 (previously presented): A poker table comprising:

- a tabletop defining an opaque, planar playing surface having a plurality of player stations and a dealer station;

- one or more supports for supporting the tabletop in a horizontal position and at a predetermined height;

- an elongated light window extending around a substantial portion of the periphery of the playing surface and past the plurality of player stations; and

- a light source configured to project light through the light window to the space above the playing surface.

Claim 32 (previously presented): The poker table as recited in claim 31, wherein the light window is planar and coplanar with the playing surface.

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Claim 33 (previously presented): The poker table as recited in claim 32, further including an arm rest extending around the outer periphery of the light window.

Claim 34 (previously presented): The poker table as recited in claim 33, wherein the arm rest includes:

a rigid plate extending around the outer periphery of the light window; and
a pad overlaying the upper surface of the rigid plate.

Claim 35 (previously presented): The poker table as recited in claim 32, wherein the light window is translucent.

Claim 36 (previously presented): The poker table as recited in claim 35, wherein the light window is formed of milk-colored plexiglas.

Claim 37 (previously presented): The poker table as recited in claim 31, wherein the light window extends around the entire periphery of the playing surface.

Claim 38 (previously presented): The poker table as recited in claim 31, wherein the light window is discontinuous around the periphery of the playing surface.

Claim 39 (previously presented): The poker table as recited in claim 31, wherein the light source includes a plurality of fluorescent light fixtures arranged adjacent to the elongated light window.

Claim 40 (previously presented): The poker table as recited in claim 31, wherein the playing surface is generally oval-shaped.